



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q54675

MATSUO, KENJI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/326,691

Group Art Unit: 1713

Confirmation No.: 4511

Examiner: P. Mulcahy

Filed: June 7, 1999

For: RUBBER COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING SAID RUBBER
COMPOSITION

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An RCE and a Petition for a three month extension of time are being filed
concurrently herewith.

REMARKS

The Advisory Action dated February 11, 2003 indicated that upon the filing of
an appeal, the Amendment filed January 24, 2003, will be entered and the status of
the claims will be as follows:

Claims allowed: 2, 5-7 and 10-12;

Claims objected to: 21 and 23; and

Claims rejected: 17-19.